

Norovirus Toolkit for General Settings-Attachment Environmental Cleaning Recommendations



- Clean surfaces with detergent to remove particulate matter, then disinfect with an EPA registered and approved disinfectant for Norovirus. List is available at: http://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2015-10/documents/list_g_norovirus.pdf. A 1:10 solution of hypochlorite (bleach) to water is the preferred disinfectant when the setting and/or item to be cleaned allows it.
- Disinfect all high-touch surfaces (e.g., doorknobs, light switches, tables, counter tops, computer keyboard frequently with a solution of 1:10 hypochlorite (bleach) to water or another EPA registered and approved disinfectant.
- Clean bathrooms twice a day and anytime visibly soiled, with special attention to toilets and fixtures.
- Clean common areas and staff rooms, including refrigerators and freezers on a regular schedule and anytime visibly soiled.
- Clean floors with an approved disinfectant.
 - Change solution and mop head every 3 hours and immediately after cleaning a vomiting incident.
- Clean in an established pattern. This will help ensure nothing is missed or forgotten if cleaning is interrupted.
- Clean items that are least likely to be contaminated first, then clean items more likely to be contaminated (i.e. “go from CLEAN to DIRTY”).
- Remove and launder curtains or other fabric items if soiled or contaminated according to usual laundry procedures.